

WRITES OF PRESENT CONDITIONS IN MEXICO

**Miss Mildred Scaife Relates
Thrilling Experiences in Mex-
ico City—During the Bombard-
ment Her Home was in the
Line of Fire and Pieces of
Shell Flew in Her Window.**

Clinton Chronicle.

Mr. Rowland E. Scaife and his sister, Miss Mildred E. Scaife, arrived here from Mexico City last Thursday and are visiting their brother, Mr. H. L. Scaife. With the exception of several short trips to the States they have been in Mexico throughout the various revolutions which have torn up that country. During the ten days bombardment in Mexico City their home was in the line of fire and a number of shells exploded over and around their home. Miss Scaife has pieces of shell and shrapnel which flew in the window and fell on the floor of her room.

Mr. Scaife was formerly from Union, where for about ten years he was the head bookkeeper of the Excelsior Knitting Mills. In 1907 he accepted a responsible position in one of the largest banks in Mexico. Mr. Scaife is also a talented artist and during his stay in Mexico his spare time has been devoted to art. When conditions resulted in the paralyzation of business, he remained to complete some paintings of Mexican life on which he was working. It was his intention to leave for Spain to devote his entire time to art when the European war started. His sketches of Mexico scenery have gained him a reputation and a number of his paintings have gone abroad.

The Chronicle is indebted to Miss Scaife for the following interesting article on the Mexican situation:

The need for positive action on the part of the United States government in the case of Mexico, has never been more acute than now. The grim wolf of starvation is showing its teeth again, and the writer knows of actual cases where old people and young children sank down in the streets of Mexico City and died for want of bread. In normal times one dollar in Mexican money is worth fifty cents in ours. You can imagine the suffering among the poor when a sack of flour is selling at \$100.00; butter, \$12.50 per pound; coffee and sugar, \$4.00 and \$5.00 per pound. When the Red Cross sent supplies they were held up by Carranza. The most pitiful sight I saw in Mexico was a great crowd of little children passing along the street with little empty vessels crying for something to eat. The "first chief," Carranza, when bread riots and looting were going on and constructive statesmanship was required, he was concerning himself about such things as divorce laws and the upholding of the established laws of the country and those in authority under him, were directly to the employers that the wages of employees should be raised and that no servant at all should work on Sundays, and that work should not begin until 8:30 a. m. and stop at 7 p. m. This, of course, caused great discontent and paved the way for the numerous serious strikes which followed.

Carranza's first arrival into Mexico City with his hordes of bandit soldiers was followed by a reign of terror. The homes of aristocrats and of the most wealthy Mexicans were made targets of the revolutionary spirit. Oregon, the post commander, gave carte blanche to his men to loot as much as they pleased with the promise that he would "not fire a shot," while many a private citizen was shot and made an example of for petty thieving.

Many nights were made hideous by repeated rifle shots in the heart of the city, many innocent men being killed because their political opinions differed. The rough, dirty soldiers took possession of some of the most elegant homes in the city for barracks, the unfortunate owners having fled the country since Diaz left.

The bandits carried off car loads of furniture. One house in particular was brought to our notice. The library of this home was considered the finest in the city. The soldiers not liking the polished floors, drove nails into them to insure safer walking, and seeing the library, threw the books out on the ground like rubbish, selling many volumes of priceless value for 25 Mexican cents, or 2 cents in our money. The officers installed themselves in different elegant, private homes, Carranza's choice being notably beautiful, and the soldiers turned churches into stables.

Why should a dignified government like ours treat with bandits? Why should it grasp a hand, if not personally stained with blood, is certainly a party to it? It is impossible in a short article to enumerate the horri-

ble happenings which are not and can not be exaggerated.

One especially cruel act, which in itself is enough to make the name of Carranza as much hated as Huerta's is the following tragedy told us by one of the Mexican nurses who saw the mangled remains.

A certain prominent citizen, a former cabinet officer, whose only crime was that of belonging to the Diaz regime, and of being the owner of valuable property, was accused of being an enemy of the revolution. He was spied upon and put into prison to wait his trial. He was dying of heart trouble, so his trial was hastened and he was condemned to be shot. As the hour of execution approached (the nurse told us that), very strong stimulants were given him, as they feared they would lose their prey, and he must die like a common criminal. As the squad of soldiers fired on him, he fell mortally wounded. Then what is called "the shot of mercy" was given by a violent explosive just behind the ear. The whole face was shot away and what remained of the head was an unrecognizable mass of destruction. His family had not been allowed to come near him during his confinement in prison and what was left of a once brave and noble man, was the bloody, crushed mass of flesh which his family could see but were not allowed to give decent burial. We were constantly hearing the shots which were taking the lives of those who had opposed Carranza and as an example of the ruthlessness of the Carranza regime, one day a beautiful young lady, as she passed in her automobile, was taken as a target and killed by a Carranza soldier. Yes, we, one and all, admit that Mr. Wilson's policy is a Christian, long-suffering one, and the best Mexicans say so, too, but with us declare that it is an utter failure when applied to ignorant Indians whose hands are red with the blood of their brothers as well as that of innocent, law-abiding foreigners.

The conditions are similar, although worse than those through which the South passed after the Civil war. Ignorant, blood-thirsty Indians, are not ready for democracy. They must be trained and educated up to it; else its sacred teachings (like our flag at Vera Cruz), will be trampled under foot.

The 700 refugees who came out with us, one and all, rejoiced to think that we were hurried out for no other cause than intervention, and to hear that another agreement was being considered with Carranza, the indignation knew no bounds as Carranza merely wants to better equip his army with more machine guns and ammunition to kill our soldiers when the final conflict comes. He was gathering men and civilians were constantly drilling when we left. One night we heard the church bells ringing as a signal to gather for an anti-American demonstration. The mobs passed by crying, "Mueren los Gringos," no less cruel and bloody.

("Kill the Americans"). The hand of Huerta, while stronger than that of Carranza, was no less cruel and bloody.

It not only prolongs the agony of Mexico, but delays the dawn of peace, to believe that one revolutionary leader is any better than another. Our own government representatives in Mexico sneer at the Washington policy, while carrying out instructions in a weak-hearted way.

It is a well known fact that American citizens receive less protection from their government than any other foreign nation represented in Mexico. They are thrown in prison on the slightest pretext. Our flag is the least honored in Mexico, when it should wave the highest. Shall we let our sister republic drink the cup of misery to the dregs, or do the kindest thing that can be done—intervene and raise to its feet, one of the fairest lands upon which the sun has ever shone? Mildred E. Scaife.

July 18, 1916.

MRS. STORM ENTERTAINS.

Mrs. C. E. Storm entertained Thursday evening in compliment to Miss Kathrin Pitt of Columbia and the young ladies composing Miss May Smith's house party: Misses Zeigler, Barre and Corley. The rooms were prettily decorated with pink roses, these flowers being used in great profusion in the parlor, hall and dining room.

The punch bowl was placed on the east verandah and this delicious fruit nectar was served throughout the evening.

The hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Evans Tinsley, Misses Lucile Tracy and Alsie Smith served ice cream and cake, and about 80 couples enjoyed her gracious hospitality.

Lieut. A. G. Kennedy of Camp Moore is spending a few days with relatives in the city.

SUBSCRIPTION TO HOSPITAL

Physicians Subscribe \$2,500 to Capital Stock—Committees Appointed to Canvass Have Subscribed Liberally—Thorough Canvass of Citizens to Be Made in Few Days.

The physicians of the city and county, with several yet to be heard from, have subscribed the sum of \$2,500.00 to the capital stock of the Wallace Thomson hospital, recently organized as a joint stock company. The members of the committees have subscribed around \$2,000.00 more. It is hoped that the mills of Union will subscribe \$2,500.00 more. This will give quite a good start, so that when the citizens are called upon, it should be an easy matter to get \$4,000.00 more. That would put the enterprise through with the liberal support the banks of Union have offered to give. Union is going to have the hospital, that seems now an assured fact. There are enough public spirited citizens in Union and throughout the county to make that an assured fact. The physicians who have already subscribed are:

Dr. Montgomery	\$300.00
Dr. Berry	300.00

Dr. Switzer	300.00
Dr. Maddox	500.00
Mr. McElroy	300.00
Dr. Hope	200.00
Dr. Sarratt	200.00
Dr. Brawley	200.00
Dr. Salley	100.00
Dr. Going	100.00

There are others who have signified their willingness to take stock, who are yet to hear from. The committees appointed to reorganize and to solicit subscriptions have themselves subscribed the following:

Miss Nicholson	\$500.00
R. P. Morgan	500.00
J. Cohen	300.00
Lewis M. Rice	200.00

There are several other members of the committees who are debating just how much stock they will take; but will make a liberal subscription later. When the weather gets better, the canvassing committee will take up the work and carry it to completion.

PROGRAM ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. M. U.

Of Union County Tuesday and Wednesday, August 1st and 2nd, at First Baptist Church of Union, S. C.

Tuesday Morning, 10 O'clock.
Conference of association executive committee.

10:30 A. M.
Praise service.
Greetings from hostess, Mrs. J. H. Bartles.

Response by visitors, Mrs. J. B. Williams.
A message from State president, Mrs. J. D. Chapman.

Roll call of W. M. U. societies with reports.
Presentation of badges to honor roll societies.

Distribution of apportionment cards, Bible studies and literature.
Reports of superintendent, secretary, treasurer and division presidents.

Quiet hour: Getting better acquainted with Jesus. Through His miracles. A lesson taught.
Projecting the Institute into the next year's work.

Echoes from Southern Baptist convention by those who attended.
Report of chairman of mission study, introducing the book recommended for next year.

Message from State superintendent of mission work, Mrs. J. T. Rice.
Greetings from the mountain school to which this association has been contributing.

Reading of association policy.
Election of nominating committee.
Appointment of committees on time and place and resolutions.

Announcements. Praise. Prayer.
Recess.
Second Session—2:00 P. M.—Children's Session.

Processional of children, with banners and songs.
Devotional.
Welcome—Ruth Parham.

Response—Kathleen Stein.
Exercises for Sunbeams.
Bible lesson for Sunbeams, "Learning of God Through Nature and His Word," taught and illustrated by Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Roll call of bands. Each presenting and reading report.
Presentation of badges to honor roll bands.

Distribution of apportionment cards, Bible lessons and literature.
Message and recommendation from State superintendent, Mrs. W. J. Hatcher—Mrs. Aletha West.

Story telling hour for children, illustrated.
South Carolina's place in Southern Union—Mrs. J. R. Fizer.

Resume of State Missions in South Carolina. The part W. M. U. is taking.
Report of committee on literature—Mrs. G. H. Wilburn.

Report of committee on Margaret fund—Miss Fanny Clark.
Reading minutes of the two sessions.
Announcements.

Report of obituary committee.
Third Session Y. W. A., G. A. and R. A.—10 O'clock A. M. Wednesday.

Young people's processional.
Devotional.
Music by Y. W. A., G. A.'s, P. A.'s.

Presentation of the Bible studies designed for each department for the next year—Mrs. Watson.
Greetings. Responses.
Roll call of Auxiliaries and Chapters with reports from each.

tendent, Mrs. R. E. White.
Message and recommendation of State superintendent—Mrs. Edwin Carpenter.

Bringing G. A.'s and R. A.'s into programs. How? Mrs. J. R. Fizer.
Training school—Mrs. David Clark.

Cultivating the art of "story telling" in G. A.'s and R. A.'s—Miss Eunice Thomson.
The world's cry to the young people of America—By an R. A.

The right must win—Miss Fannie Clark.
Aiming high on standard of excellence.

Report on personal service—Mrs. W. W. Finley.
Quiet hour. An R. A. Bible lesson—Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Report of nominating committee.
Election of officers.
Announcements. Praise. Prayer.
Recess.

Fourth Session—2:00 P. M.
Laying foundation for a larger year's work. A consecration service.

1. Adoption of Union's watchword: "Steadfast Prayer and Ministry."
Aims:
1. Individual and United Prayer—Mrs. Finley.

2. Regular Bible and Mission study—Mrs. White.
3. Systematic and proportionate giving—Mrs. Hendley.

4. Personal service—Mrs. Clark.
The year's record presented in chart form by superintendent.

Appointments the societies minimum financial obligation to Missions.
The value of minutes of all meetings as reference books—Mrs. Littlejohn.

Expense fund for supplying association's needs—Mrs. J. H. Bartles.
Importance of association executive committee meetings.

Deciding time and place for joint meeting. A program—Mrs. C. E. Watson.
Making Northern Division Institute 1917 an inspiration to higher achievements and greater service.

Report of committee on time and place.
Reading and adoption of association policy.
Reading of minutes.

Closing exercises.
ELLIS-DICK.
Hartsville, July 15.—A marriage of much interest took place in Hartsville Wednesday afternoon, July 12, at 4:30 o'clock, at the home of T. P. McLeod, when his sister, Mrs. Emma Ellis, was married to L. W. Dick.

The wedding march was played by Miss Gertrude Dick. The attendants were Miss Blanche DesChamps and C. K. Dunlap. In the presence of a company of special friends and relatives the ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. V. Baldy, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church, assisted by the Rev. T. F. Haney, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

Both the contracting parties are residents of Hartsville and are well known and popular in this and other parts of the State. Mr. Dick came to Hartsville some years ago to take charge of the public schools, which position he still holds, and he has become one of the most useful and influential citizens of the community and commands the respect and affection of all classes, young and old.

At the conclusion of the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Dick departed for a trip and after some days' absence will return and be at home to their friends in Hartsville.

TEA PARTY FOR VISITORS.
Miss Pearl Harris entertained Misses Zeigler, Barre and Corley at a delightful tea party Friday evening. The table was covered with lace and had for its centre a basket of summer flowers. A delicious repast was served by the hostess.

FATAL SHOOTING AT MONARCH SATURDAY

COUNTY ENROLLMENT RESULTS.

Fourteen Precincts Heard From—Total of 2,471 Names on the Fourteen Books—Complete Report Next Week.

The books of enrollment turned in to Chairman Macbeth Young, up to noon Thursday, number fourteen, with a total of 2,471 names. The precincts already heard from are:

Union, Ward 1, 67.
Union, Ward 2, 155.
Union, Ward 3, 136.
Union, Ward 4, 418.
Goshen Hill, 55.
Cross Keys, 160.
Lockhart, 276.
Monarch, 385.
Meador, 35.
Wilburn's Store, 36.
Jonesville, 413.
West Springs, 111.
Kelton, 182.
Coleraine, 42.

The report from other precincts will be published in next issue.

WORD FROM CAMP MOORE.

First Lieut. A. G. Kennedy, of the engineers, Camp Moore, at Styx, arrived in Union Wednesday night and will leave Friday for camp. He came on a business trip. While here a Times man saw him and asked about the Union boys at Camp Moore. He said all the Union boys in the engineering company are well and all are becoming accustomed to camp life. They have been issued their uniforms and equipment and look like soldiers. Lieut. Kennedy was liberal in his praise for Governor Manning. He says Governor Manning has been a frequent visitor to camp, and has in many ways done everything in his power to make the boys comfortable.

EUTERPEAN MUSIC CLUB.

The Euterpean Music club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. W. T. Beatty at her home on Main street Monday afternoon. A number of visitors were present to enjoy the interesting program, which is as follows:

Vocal solo—"Today"—(Carrie Jacobs Bond)—Mrs. R. A. Jones.
Piano solo—(Chaminade)—Miss Fannie Duncan.

Vocal solo—"The Gypsy Maid"—(Nella)—Miss Cecil Brawley.
Piano solo—"Butterfly"—(Denise)—Miss Theo Young.

Piano solo—"The Evening Star"—(Wagner)—Miss Vivian Sarratt.
Vocal duet—"The Wanderer's Night Song"—(Rubenstein)—Misses Layton and Jordan.

Chorus—Blossom Time—Misses Duncan, Layton and Jordan, Mesdames Beatty and Garner.

Misses Ruth Crawford and Guisinger furnished beautiful impromptu numbers during the afternoon.
The hostess served delicious refreshments and was assisted by Misses Carol Robertson and Carrie Young.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Johnson announce the marriage of their daughter Minnie Mae to

Mr. Archie Carraway Wilkinson July the eighth Nineteen hundred and sixteen Good Samaritan Hospital Spartanburg, South Carolina At Home Georgia Avenue Concord, North Carolina

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED.

Mr. Madison Abell Gwin announce the marriage of their daughter Julia Louelle to

Mr. Sid Kelly Gardner on Sunday, July the twenty-third nineteen hundred and sixteen Greenville, South Carolina

Mrs. Gardner is a niece of Mrs. J. G. Long, Sr., of this place, and is an accomplished and attractive young woman.

CAPT. ELLIS TO SPEAK HERE.

Capt. Clarence Ellis, of the Salvation Army, stationed at Spartanburg, will preach Sunday morning at Green Street Methodist church at 11 a. m. and Sunday evening at the First Presbyterian church.

Capt. Ellis will also speak at the city park at 4:15 Sunday afternoon. Everybody is invited to attend these services.

Mr. R. A. Jones has just returned from a trip to New York and says he saw many former Union people among them being Mr. Harry L. Goss, who was recently elected a member of the board of the cotton exchange.

Will B. Inman Instantly Killed

by Fred Sanders—Immediately After Tragedy Sanders Gave Himself Up to Sheriff and Was Lodged in Jail—Verdict of Coroner's Inquest.

Will B. Inman was shot and instantly killed by Fred Sanders on the street in Monarch Mill village Saturday afternoon about 12:30 o'clock.

Both men have the reputation for being peaceable citizens. They were brothers-in-law, having married sisters.

The pistol ball entered the neck in front and just above the collar bone and caused death almost instantaneously. There was but one shot.

Magistrate Mann held an inquest in the absence of Coroner Godshall who was at Whitmire the day of the tragedy.

Inman was boss of the slasher room and was about 45 years old and Sanders is second hand in the weave shop at Monarch and is about 35 years old. Immediately after the shooting Sanders gave himself up to the officer and was lodged in jail.

The testimony at the coroner's inquest held immediately after the killing is as follows:

R. C. Lee, sworn, says: Mr. Sanders called me out to talk with me about some talk Mr. Inman had had about his wife. He asked me if I had had a chat about his wife. That Mr. Inman had told others that I had. Mr. Inman and Mr. Sanders and myself were all standing near together. After Mr. Sanders had the talk with me he asked Mr. Inman if he had not had some talk to some other parties about his wife, and Mr. Inman denied it. Mr. Sanders jumped back to one side and Mr. Inman told him not to show a pistol. Mr. Sanders did show a pistol and shot Mr. Inman one time, and Mr. Inman fell. Neither one said anything just after. I don't know where the shot took effect.

Dr. D. H. Montgomery sworn That he had been called to make a post mortem examination on the body of Will Inman. That he found the gunshot wound named, on the breast bone, and that death was caused by hemorrhages from said wound.

(Signed) D. H. Montgomery.

Jim Timmons sworn, said: That he saw the shooting. Saw Mr. Lee, Mr. Sanders and Mr. Inman standing talking. A short time afterward I saw Mr. Sanders step back, pull out his pistol and shoot Mr. Inman. Mr. Inman then fell. I did not see Mr. Inman make any attempt.

(Signed) J. W. Timmons.

Harvie Timmons sworn, said: He saw the shooting. Saw Mr. Lee, Mr. Sanders and Mr. Inman standing talking. A short time afterward I saw Mr. Sanders step back, pull out his pistol and shoot Mr. Inman. Mr. Inman then fell. I did not see Mr. Inman make any attempt.

(Signed) H. L. Timmons.

Mr. Lee recalled, said: Mr. Sanders and Mr. Inman were together. Came to my house, and Mr. Sanders called me. We walked up to corner where killing took place, about twenty feet from my house. Mr. Inman made no attempt.

(Signed) R. C. Lee.

Mr. J. H. Wilburn sworn, said: Dr. Montgomery and I searched the dead body. Found some money, \$15.35, in his pocket book, a ring and pencil, a knife, two handkerchiefs, a book with some papers in it and water. Knife was in his pocket, shut. I went to Sanders' home just after the shooting to see Sanders. I made the arrest and carried him over to Boyd Harris, deputy sheriff. I am branch deputy and officer at this place.

(Signed) J. H. Wilburn.

After hearing the evidence the jury rendered the verdict that "Will Inman came to his death by a gunshot wound from the hands of Fred Sanders."

A CARRIER PIGEON CAUGHT.

Messrs. Thad Strange, C. H. Norman and Chief Milo H. Evans caught a carrier pigeon Wednesday.

On one leg he had two brass or gold bands and on the other an aluminum band. Upon this is inscribed the letters "A. J., '14, No. 9849."

The above named gentlemen saw the pigeon on the roof of the seed house near the Eagle Grocery Co., and caught it by scattering rice. The bird came to eat. Mr. Strange will keep the bird until he hears from the owner, and will then turn it loose.